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AB	4,706,671	11/17/87	Weinrib	128	348.1	
AC	4,723,549	02/09/88	Wholey et al.	128	344	
AD	4,728,319	03/01/88	Masch	604	22	
AE	4,790,812	12/13/88	Hawkins, Jr. et al.	604	22	
AF	4,794,928	01/03/89	Kletschka	128	344	
AG	4,873,978	10/17/89	Ginsburg	128	345	
AH	4,926,858	05/22/90	Gifford, III et al.	606	159	
AI	5,011,488	04/30/91	Ginsburg	606	159	
AJ	5,071,407	12/10/91	Termin et al.	604	104	
AK	5,100,423	03/31/92	Fearnot	606	159	
AL	5,108,419	04/28/92	Reger et al.	606	200	
AM	5,190,546	03/02/93	Jervis	606	78	
AN	5,329,942	07/19/94	Gunther et al.	128	898	
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AQ	5,549,626	08/27/96	Miller et al.	606	200	
AR	5,695,519	12/09/97	Summers et al.	606	200	
AS	5,709,704	01/20/98	Nott et al.	606	200	
AT	5,769,816	06/23/98	Barbut et al.	604	96	
AU	5,814,064	09/29/98	Daniel et al.	606	200	
AV	5,827,324	10/27/98	Cassell et al.	606	200	

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AW	5,876,367	03/02/99	Kaganov et al.	604	8	
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BI	Cragg et al., "Nonsurgical Placement of Arterial Endoprostheses: A New Technique Using Nitinol Wire", <u>Radiology</u> , 147:261-263, April 1983.
BJ	Cragg et al., "A New Percutaneous Vena Cava Filter", <u>AJR</u> , 141, September 1983, 4 pages.

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	6,171,327	01/09/01	Daniel et al.	606	200	
	6,168,579	01/02/01	Tsugita	604	96.01	
	6,165,200	12/26/00	Tsugita et al.	606	200	
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	6,129,739	10/10/00	Khosravi	606	200	
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	5,951,585	09/14/99	Cathcart et al.	606	198	
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	5,925,016	07/20/99	Chormenky et al.	604	96	
	5,916,193	06/29/99	Stevens et al.	604	53	
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	5,746,758	05/05/98	Nordgren et al.	606	159	
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	5,662,671	09/02/97	Barbut et al.	606	170	
	5,658,296	08/19/97	Bates et al.	606	127	
	5,634,897	06/03/97	Dance et al.	604	35	
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	5,415,630	05/16/95	Gory et al.	604	53	
	5,409,454	04/25/95	Fischell et al.	604	22	
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	5,366,473	11/22/94	Winston et al.	606	198	
	5,366,464	11/22/94	Belknap	606	159	
	5,356,423	10/18/94	Tihon et al.	606	194	
	5,354,310	10/11/94	Garnic et al.	606	198	
	5,350,398	09/27/94	Pavcnik et al.	606	200	
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	5,306,286	04/26/94	Stack et al.	606	198	
	5,224,953	07/06/93	Morgentaler	606	192	
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	5,171,233	12/15/92	Amplatz et al.	604	281	
	5,160,342	11/03/92	Reger et al.	606	200	
	5,152,777	10/06/92	Goldberg et al.	606	200	
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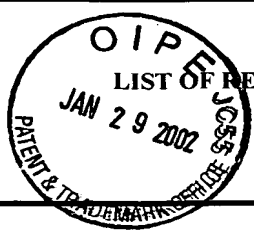
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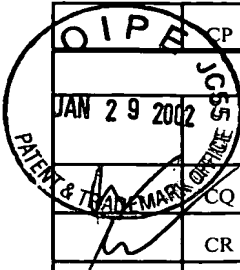

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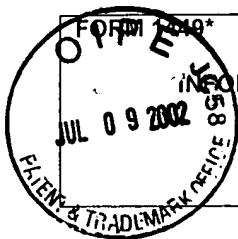
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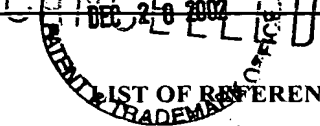

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